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# Stephen Tebo

PROFESSIONAL NUMISMATIST

P. O. BOX 883

ROLLA, MISSOURI 65401

PHONE: (314) 364-5021

January 26, 1968

Dear Stan'

Enclosed is a check for \$430.00 for all the gold I now have of yours. As you will notice, you priced me the gold cheaper than in your last letter, so I am paying you that price. This leaves me with \$12.50 profit on the entire deal, but I would rather please a customer and sell some coins for you than have to return them.

I would appreciate a list from you on your current stock, and I will see what I can do for you. I thank you for your patience on this deal, and hope that next time we both will make more money.

I can't get Lester to make me a definite commitment on the 1860-O, but am waiting for an answer to my last letter. Can you use a BU 1889 \$5 gold at \$325?

Good luck on the 1920-S Eagle, as the best price that Wayne would give me was \$2600.00. I do appreciate your fairness in this deal, too. One thing that might interest you, Paramount bought the 1930-S I had at \$3150.00. They had it sold for \$3500, so I gave them 10% on the deal.

Sincerely,

Stephen



# WHITE OAK COMPANY

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Feb. 3 68

U.P.O. Box 815  
KINGSTON, N. Y. 12401

Sold to:

Stan Kesselman  
15 W. 81 St.  
NYC 24

\$1 18490	30.00
\$1 1857C	60.00
\$2½ 1851	33.00
\$5 1850C	<del>110.00</del> 100

Any or all may be returned if unsatisfactory.

Phone 914 687-4961

# MEMO

from the numismatic desk of . . .

2/12/68

John J. Smies

ANA CSNS HANA MANA  
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Dear Stan -

Your check \$220 + 2 coins  
you returned rec'd today. Thanks -

Best coin deal on that 1908-S  
is \$200 - Am in it pretty deep  
and won't pay much more than  
pay for postage at that.

No new arrivals. may pick up  
something this week-end in L.A.

Best regards

John



ROBERT E. BENDER  
 NUMISMATIC  
 ANA 20132  
 RURAL ROUTE 16, BOX 376  
 NEW AUGUSTA, INDIANA 46278  
 TEL. 291-2212, INDIANAPOLIS  
 AREA CODE 317

Feb 13, 1968

Dear Mr. Kesselman:

Enclosed please  
 find following as to your letter 2/10/68.

1907 1-Roman Numeral	6 25.00
1890- 20 gold. m.	P 1 05.00

2.25

Post & Ins # 732.25  
 107<sup>25</sup>

Thanks

Sincerely yours

Robert E. Bender

2-15-68

S. Ralph Davis

Box ~~366~~ 351, Route 4, Tiny Farms, Asheville, North Carolina

28806

Dear Mr. Kesselman;

I received your check for the  
gold piece & thanks very much.

I have intended writing to  
you. I read your article in  
"Coin World" & enjoyed it. I'm glad  
to know there are still some  
decent, reputable, dealers left.

I could tell you of some  
experiences I have had.

I have purchased many  
coins from my old friend Norm



S. Ralph Davis

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Box ~~366~~ 351, Route 4, Tiny Farms, Asheville, North Carolina

Stultz - also bought coins from  
Tavis Johnson -  
You are probably associated  
with both of them.

I need a 1935 D Washington  
quarter in unc. or B.U. maybe  
you could help me locate one.

I have 1-1804 1/2 cent. cr. 4 in  
VF-XF. would you be interested?  
Make me an offer - I have about  
\$2800 in it. Would enjoy hearing  
from you.

Sincerely,  
S. Ralph Davis



Mr. Stan Kesselman  
15 W. 81 ST Street,  
New York 24, N.Y.



S. Ralph Davis

Box ~~366~~, Route 4, Tiny Farms, Asheville, North Carolina

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(POLK-CALIFORNIA OFFICE)

March 7, 1968

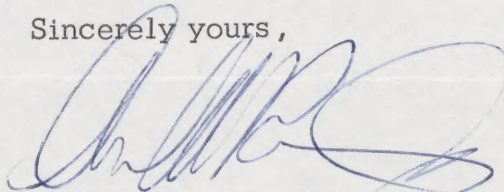
Stan Kesselman,  
15 West 81st Street,  
New York, N.Y. 10024.

Dear Stan,

Thanks for your enquiry of the 2nd instant. Nothing from my purchases has arrived yet. All in all the trip was fairly successful even though the better U.S. purchases were on the disappointing side. When the coins get here, I will have a few unc. 1916-S double eagles at \$80.00 each, a VF 1852-O \$20, a VF 1857-O \$20, and unc. 1926-S \$20, and AU 1908-S \$20, a VF 1851-O \$20, a VF 1909-O \$5, and a VF 1908-S \$5.00. If any of these are of interest, let me know and I'll quote you firm prices as soon as they get here.

I traveled 6,000 miles in Europe alone which is enough running around. As it was, I was in 13 different countries in three weeks. That is moving fast you must admit.

Sincerely yours,



P.S. Also coming is an AU 1801 eagle which I'll price something under \$500.



U. S. COINS, INC.  
QUALITY COINS FOR COLLECTORS

Box 2737

St. Paul, Minnesota 55112

4-6-68

Stan -

we have \$125.00 on the

1859 D \$5 gold so cannot

sell at this figure. we would

take \$135.00. The 1894 D

is sold - in fact we had at

least a half dozen orders for it!

Let us hear.

Regards,

Cliff Aarseth

LOUIS W. GOLD  
A. N. A. 51634



NUMISMATIC BROKERAGE INVESTMENTS  
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## CADILLAC COINS

PHONE 203-387-7866  
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

P.O. BOX 3636  
WOODBIDGE, CONN. 06525

4/12/68

Dear Sam -

Can we increase  
our credit rating from  
3 wks- to 4 wks. with  
this card- ha -

Best Regard -  
Lou -



Telephone  
(415) 342-9711



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51 East 4th Avenue  
San Mateo, California 94401

4/17/68

DATE

TO Stan Kesselman,

15 W. 81st Street,

New York, N.Y. 10024.

This merchandise is sent on consignment and title does not pass until paid for in full.

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VF+ 1857-O \$20.00

\$175 00

Thanks for check & rest coin.

You promised no seotch tape  
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Thurs all gone except

1906 for which no buyer raised  
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7401 INDIANAPOLIS ROAD  
EVANSVILLE, INDIANA 47711  
TELEPHONE: (812) 425-4661

E. A. CARSON  
PRESIDENT

April 29, 1968

Mr. Kesselman:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 24 concerning the 1870-CC Half Eagle.

Mr. Carson is out of the country but we anticipate he will be back approximately May 4. I'll call your letter to his attention when he returns.

Sincerely,

*Eloise Brune*

Eloise Brune  
Secretary to E. A. Carson



P. O. Box 148

Braddock, Penna.

May 8th, 1968.

Mr. Stan Kesselman  
15 West 82nd Street.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Stan :

Received your valued letter and appreciate your kind thoughts and I am sure that by now you have my 1892 Quarter Eagle.

I certainly will be happy if now you will acquire for me a UNC 1855-O. and 1871-CC. Double Eagles and also the 1920-S. Double Eagle. Perhaps a beauty of the 1891-CC Double Eagle.

You mention in your letter of having to offer me in a truly CHOICE extremely fine condition, the 1866-S. NO MOTTO Double Eagle, which you claim to be the very finest that you had ever owned at your asking price of \$ 500.00 .

If it is not dictating too much to you, I notice in the May issue of the Scrapbook where Mr. I. Kleinman offering an extremely fine 1866-S. NO MOTTO Double Eagle at an asking price of \$ 300.00 .

Mr. Kleinman is offering a GEM AU 1891-CC Double Eagle at an asking price of \$ 575.00 and I am wondering as to how does he come by these rare dates ?

By the way Stan., you are listing a UNC specimen of the 1885-CC. Double Eagle, at \$ 450.00 and I would like to know if it is a truly UNC specimen of sharp striking on both sides and free from nicks, or any scratches ? with all wording in perfect struck up condition ? would you take my AU specimen, in exchange for your UN specimen, plus an extra premium on the exchange ?

Now to get back to your 1866-S. NO MOTTO Double Eagle., would you take my UNC 1908-S. Half Eagle in exchange for the NO MOTTO Double Eagle ? because only I do this is because you tell me that your NO MOTTO Double Eagle is the finest that you had ever owned or handled. So, HOLD until we can come to the right terms, but if you want my 1908-S. Half Eagle, then send me the NO MOTTO Double Eagle and I in turn will send you my 1908-S. Half Eagle.

Also I wish to inquire as to whether you can get me a SUPERB GEM beauty of the 1925 - 100 Francs in GOLD of Switzerland which is of a genuine striking and not a restrike. If available, what will be your best asking price ?

I suppose that there is no chance at all from no collector for a GEM UNC specimen of the 1927-D. Double Eagle ? and if you knew of one, what would be the price ?

Yours very truly



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Please send <sup>BU</sup> 1894 \$2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>@<sup>4</sup> 135.00

To E. ABRAMCZYK

13511 WESLEY

SOUTHGATE, MICH. 48192



Air Mail



Stan Kesselman

15 West 81 St.

New York City 10024



AIR MAIL

Mr. ~~Edith~~ E. Abramczyk  
13511 Wesley Avenue  
Southgate, Michigan

Air MAIL

P. O. Box 148  
Braddock, Penna.

15/04

June 22nd, 1968.

Mr. Stan Kesselman  
15 West 91st Street.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Stan :

Received your kind letter and many thanks for your encouraging comments in regards to that 1866-S. NO MOTTO Double Eagle I had acquired from you.

I am herewith enclosing another 1905 Quarter Eagle, which will now square me up with the payment for the 1866-S. NO MOTTO Double Eagle.

I am also enclosing for your examination my 1904-S. Eagle, which is considered to be a extremely rare gold specimen, for it is supposed to be one of those UNLISTED in the series of U.S. gold coins. I recall some 25 years ago where a 1904-S. Eagle was offered at an auction sale and had a big write-up about it and if I am not mistaken it had sold for something like \$ 800.00 .

Will appreciate your full comments on this particular UNLISTED \$ 10.00 gold piece and if it is a truly U.S. striking, you can have it in exchange for your 1885-CC and 1891-CC BU Double Eagles that you now are holding for me. If not of interest to you, you may return it. This particular Eagle had come from an old timer some 15 years ago and told me that he had it for a very long time.

I am now full of suspense when reading your letter and you had commented of having a big surprise for me as you are having some rare Double Eagles arriving very shortly and I feel certain that I will be the first one to hear the good news.

I am awaiting within the next few days an answer about my Canadian coins and if any money should be coming my way, I will send you my check, in case you should take my 1904-S. Eagle, than we will have the deal closed on the 1885-CC and 1891-CC Double Eagles and worry about that surprise that is in store for me. Should you be forced to return my 1904-S. Eagle, than it will be a matter of CASH or a trade of my gold coins for your 1885-CC and 1891-CC Double Eagles.

Yours very truly,



Felix J. Folek



# W. W. Turner

1126 ~~XXX~~ STAHLMAN BUILDING  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37201

July 10, 1968

There are a couple of items which I would like to call to your attention, therefore, this brief letter.

We have just moved our offices to another floor here in the Stahlman Building and would appreciate it if you would make our new address on your records as follows:

1126 Stahlman Building  
Nashville, Tennessee 37201

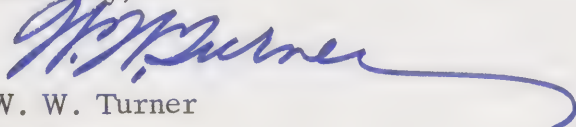
( The telephone number remains the same - Area 615, 255-1124 )

On Wednesday, July 31, I am planning to leave on a buying trip which will take me out West through several states, including the Coin Conventions in Salt Lake City, San Francisco, and the Annual ANA Meeting which will be held this year in San Diego. I plan on being back in the office on or about Tuesday, September 3rd. During the absence, I will be in touch with the office at least twice a week. If there is anything which you would like for me to attempt to buy for you while I am on this trip, please let me hear from you. I will do my best to locate it and purchase the same at a reasonable price.

The demand for choice gold coins has been unusually strong, and locating and buying good material is not as easy as it once was. Prices are modestly higher than a few months ago but are still most reasonable. Select gold coins are, in my judgment, the finest investment that can possibly be made today, and in the foreseeable future.

If there is anything which I can do before leaving on July 31st, or if there is something that I can do while on this buying trip, please let me hear from you.

Sincerely,



W. W. Turner

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**W. W. Turner**

1126 ~~ST~~ STAHLMAN BUILDING  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37201



Mr. Stan Kesselman  
15 West 81<sup>ST</sup> Street  
New York, N. Y.

10024

July 17, 1968

Dear Mr. Kesselman,

Again I enclose the 1855-D gold dollar,  
but this time for the price of \$250.00. I  
certainly hope you have success in filling  
the hole.

It has been nice doing business with you.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Larson  
1000 Griffith  
Louisville, Colo. 80027



MARVEL O LARSON  
1000 GRIFFITH AVE  
LOUISVILLE COLO 80027



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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

*Mr. Stan Hasselmann  
15 West 81st Street  
New York, New York  
10024*

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JUL 18 1968

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JUL 18 1968

NEW YORK  
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LOUIS W. GOLD  
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## CADILLAC COINS

PHONE 203-387-7866  
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

P. O. BOX 3636  
WOODBIDGE, CONN. 06525

7/18/68

Dear Stan,  
Enclosed is a check for  
everything except the 1832  
proof. Will let you know about  
that next week.

Thanks & Best Regards,  
LW



## ANTIQUITIES

## OBJECTS OF ART

LESTER MERKIN COINS, INC.

65 EAST 56 ST.

New York, N. Y. 10022

PLaza 3-1130

SOLD TO

Stan Kesselman 7/23/88

ADDRESS

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KROLL STATIONERS, NYC EH 75083 330387-X

[www.Turner]

To	Mr. Lisselman;	At	
Subject			Date 7-23-68
Would you please send me by return mail the following from your list of July 20 <sup>th</sup> with best price on each item:			
1C 20 <sup>th</sup> 1851-0 VF		1C 20 <sup>th</sup> 1916-5 unc.	
1C 20 <sup>th</sup> 1851-0 EF			
1C 20 <sup>th</sup> 1851-0 AU			
RETURN TO →		Signed	

I will enter, return or remit promptly			
Dear Mr. Turner would please find the 4 lots as agreed. 1916 S # 85			
M. Lisselman		1851-0 VF 100	
Date		XF 125	
Signed		AU 145	
11/1/1968 Don't know how 1916 S would please be generous to send			
Rediform®		SEND PARTS 1 AND 3 WITH CARBONS INTACT. PART 3 WILL BE RETURNED WITH REPLY.	
4S 469			

LOUIS W. GOLD  
A. N. A. 51634



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## CADILLAC COINS

PHONE 203-387-7866  
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

P O. BOX 3636  
WOODBIDGE, CONN. 06525

July 27, 1968

Dear Stan:

I hate to ruin my credit by sending you payment too soon but I thought you would not get too angry at me. I had a few extra dollars in my pocket so I bought you a bank check for the \$4,500.00 and thought I would get it out to you before I go away Monday.

Right now I have no need for the 1885 \$20 but thanks for telling me about it.

Thanks and best regards,

*Joe*



P. O. Box 148

Braddock, Penna.

August 6th, 1968

57/ 22.7111  
Mr. Stan Kesselman  
15 West 81st Street.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Stan :

Enclosed find my six (6) gold coins, WHICH I am sure  
will take care of the trade offer in exchange for your AU 1855-O.  
Double Eagle .

I feel certain that you should do very well  
with the six (6) gold piece whenever you will be selling them  
at the A.N.A. Convention.

I would appreciate knowing as to the day on which you  
will be leaving for the convention.

Will appreciate your comments and I do only  
hope that your 1855-O. Double Eagle is as perfect a coin as you  
claim it to be the finest you had ever seen.

Yours very truly,



Felix J. Polek

P.S. If I had any \$ 3.00 gold pieces I certainly would let you  
have them, for I got rid of them at the time I were trading  
with Mr. Kessel and he in turn had turned them over to  
Mr. Brigandi. I would like to get one myself, one that would  
be an absolute GEM of PERFECTION.



U. S. GOLD

MEMBER OF  
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To  
Stan Kesselman  
15 W 81st St.  
New York N.Y.

Aug 9, 68

1-1861	120 gold gem BH	\$170.00
1-1841C	25 gold One	123.50
1-1873	2 1/2 gold EF	1128.00
		<hr/>
		\$500.00

Shipped on train  
\$500.00

Sincerely  
David Criss

F. O. Box 148

Braddock, Penna.

August 13th, 1968.

Mr. Stan Kesselman  
15 West 81st Street.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Stan :

Seems rather high payment on a trading basis in gold in exchange for the 1855-O. Double Eagle, but I am sure that it is a specimen far more superior and in AU condition as you claim it to be.

I am sure that my 1911-D. Half Eagle is worth \$ 100.00 on which you had allowed me only \$ 75.00 as it is a truly rare gold piece.

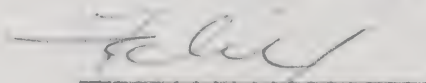
I am herewith enclosing my four (4) gold coins, which surely will close this deal of my getting your 1855-O. Double Eagle.

You are aware of the rarity of the 1915-S. Eagle.

I am herewith enclosing my special coin container, so that you may place in it the 1855-O. Double Eagle when shipping same out to me.

Will be looking forward to that very big surprise.

Yours very truly,



Felix J. Polek





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7401 INDIANAPOLIS ROAD  
EVANSVILLE, INDIANA 47711  
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E. A. CARSON  
PRESIDENT

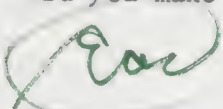
August 19, 1968

Stan:

Replying to your letter of August 6 --

I have an 1870-CC VF \$20 for which I paid  
\$8,793.75 -- so your price seems high.

I do need an 1879-CC \$10. However, the 1969  
Red Book lists this coin in VF condition at  
\$650 and you are asking over twice as much.  
In UNC condition it lists at only \$1200.  
Did you make a mistake in the \$1350 price?



E. A. Carson  
eac:eb

Temple, Texas  
Sept. 1, 1968

Mr. Stan Kesselman  
15 West 81st. Street  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Kesselman,

Will you please send on approval  
your 1893 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  Dollar Gold coin in B. U.  
for \$55.00? If I am able to sell my  
1895 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  for a good price may want some  
more B. U. Common dates at \$55.00 in  
B. U. In case the 1893 is already sold  
just ship any common ~~date~~ date before  
1900 in B. U. Do you have any Ind. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$   
Gold in B. U.?

Sincerely,

*Bill Benkendorfer*

Bill Benkendorfer  
South 5th. St. Bld.  
Temple, Texas. 76501

P. S. If you would like some ref. try  
Mr. Davis Carr of Nashville, Tenn. and  
Mr. J. T. Hallingsworth of Portland, Ore.

Dear Stan:

I have the following available if you  
are interested:

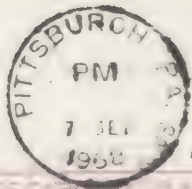
<del>1884</del> 1844-D	\$2.50, VF, holed	\$ 29.
1872	\$3.00, VF	242.
1880	3.00, VF	263.

Sincerely,



ROBERT B. YATES  
P. O. Box 7702  
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15215





THIS SIDE OF CARD IS ADDRESS

POSTAGE

Mr. Stan Kesselman

15 W. 81st St.

New York, N. Y. 10024

Temple, Texas  
Sept. 7th, 1968

Mr. Stan Kesselman  
15 West 81st. Street  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Kesselman,

The 1893 2 1/2 Dollar Gold coin you  
sent arrived. Many thanks. Enclosed  
please find \$55.00 money order.

What is your best price on a B.U. *Common date*  
*date* Gem Gold Dollar type three?

Sincerely,

*Bill Benkendorfer*

Bill Benkendorfer  
South 5th. St. Rd.  
Temple, Texas. 76501

# RUDDY INVESTMENTS — RARE COINS

6922 Hollywood Boulevard  
Suite 810  
HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA 90028  
Telephone (213) 466-4595

INVOICE NO. **2505**

DATE September 11, 1968

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Mr. Stan Kesselman  
15 West 81st Street  
New York, New York 10024

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TERMS: <b>NOT PAID</b>	CUSTOMER'S ORDER NO.				SHIPPED VIA
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FOLD FOR WINDOW ENVELOPE

QUANTITY SHIPPED	DESCRIPTION				TOTAL
1	1855-S	\$3 Gold	Very Fine	\$179.00, net	\$169.00
1	1871	\$3 Gold	EF, dig	\$175.00, net	<u>167.50</u>
				AMOUNT DUE	\$336.50
	Thank you for your order.				

TITLE DOES NOT PASS UNTIL MERCHANDISE IS PAID FOR IN FULL



P. O. Box 140

Bradford, Penna.

Oct. 19th, 1964.

Mr. Stan Casselton  
15 West 31st Street.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Stan :

Received your most valued letter in regards to the actual authenticity of your 1891 Double Eagle which is a " MUSEUM " coin.

As far as Mr. Brown is concerned I believe that he may not bother anymore with the acquisition of rare coins, because two years ago I sent him a gold piece for full examination and told him that he would not accept any coins from now on because of illness and he had no gold piece in his possession for some 3 months before I got it back from him.

I think that I will hold off for a short time my deal with you on that 1891-CU Double Eagle, because I want to acquire from you that 1891 Double Eagle and I am sure that with all that joy over it that it must be a FLAWLESS GEM.

You mention to me of having to offer in WU condition at an asking price of \$ 225.00 and I have one and wanted to trade it off to you towards my purchase of one of your Double Eagles.

I would like to know right now as to whether you would allow me \$ 650.00 towards my purchase of your 1891 Double Eagle in UNC condition my 1911-D. Half Eagle and my 1908-S. Half Eagle and the 1908-S. Eagle, and in CASE I would try my best to pay you \$ 650.00. I will not have my cash until after the 2nd of November.

Yes you are right., I did acquire on a trading basis the 1891-C. Double Eagle from Mr. Wesel over two years ago and it was the 1891-C. that I acquired from you. The reason I would like to acquire this 1891-C. from the Miles sale because according to Mr. Stack it is supposed to be the finest one known. The next important Double Eagle is the 1879-C. In this Miles gold coin sale, for it is graded as a truly UNCOLLECTED specimen and also considered the finest to be had or is known of, unless you might know of one that would be an identical twin to your 1891 " MUSEUM " specimen. I am sure that you will not let this one slip away from you. As for that 1879 - \$ 3.00 gold piece, well it would be a nice companion piece to the 1879-C. Double Eagle, providing that one is an absolutely GEM or PERFECTION specimen. I notice that there is a FULLY EXTREMELY FINE specimen of the 1871-CU Double Eagle, although I have been hoping that one of these days you will track down a BU beauty and truly SHARP specimen.

Another Double Eagle that is of interest to me is that 1909 over S which is a SUPERB specimen and the FINEST ever to be offered by Mr. Stack. I have one, but I know that it cannot compare with the Miles specimen. So, please let me know if you will accept my offer (3) above S. mint and D. mint gold pieces as my down payment at a \$ 600.00 allowance towards my purchase of your 1891 Double Eagle.

( over )

By the way, we both had dealt with one another for quite some time and yet we knew so little about each other. So, I will tell you now that I have retired from Westinghouse Electric Corp after working for this company for over 33 years, because I decided to take the early pension if you wish to retire at the age of 60 as I was 60 years old this August 15th.

May I inquire as to how old are you? and how long have you been in the coin business and are you of Hebrew religion? I am of Polish descent and of the Roman Catholic religion, and a coin collector since 1935.

When we get through with the matter of the Double Eagle I have one Double Eagle that I wish to have you look at, for I am sure that you are in a position to authenticate a rare gold piece and I will tell you all about it.

And since you did not tell me, this 1891 Double Eagle that I hope to be the owner of is a reverse of a "VICTORY" piece, and it came from a collection of an old timer? I only ask because I feel that it is a "VICTORY" piece and it is a "VICTORY" piece.

I await your comments and suggestions.

Sincerely,  
John J. ...

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## SPEED MESSAGE

TO Stan Kesselman  
15 West 81 St.  
New York City, N.Y. 10024

FROM FLORIDA COIN EXCHANGE  
P.O. BOX 17211  
TAMPA, FLORIDA 33612

SUBJECT

DATE Oct. 31, 19 68

Dear Mr Kesselman:

The 1874 \$5. proof is on consignment. This is the owner's best coin and he won't let me mail it on approval.

The coin has a perfect reverse. The obverse has a pin prick die flow that you have to use a glass to see.

The above could eliminate the coin as far as you're concerned. However, if interested it is yours for \$575.00. We do have to have the money though, naturally, a 5 day return privilege if not as described.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

*Bob Rossfield*  
*Fla. Coin Exchange*



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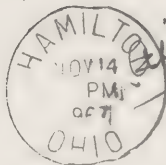
Have sent the three B.V. \$20.<sup>00</sup> under separate cover.

If you obtain the 1878-CC \$20.<sup>00</sup> gold in X1- condition or better, I would appreciate receiving the coin on approval, if the price is right.

Thank you for your  
Courtesy.

Joan Roberts Jr.  
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Hamilton, Ohio 45013

John Roberts Jr  
12 Commerce St.  
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P. O. Box 148

Bradock, Penna.

Dec. 10th, 1968.

Mr. Stan Kesselman  
15 West 91st Street.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Stan :

Since having checked the results of the auction sale held by Stack of the sale of the Miles gold collection, I am sorry that the 1908-S. Half Eagle had sold for \$ 575.00 and the 1908-S. sold for \$ 340.00 and I will bet any money that my specimens are just as nice.

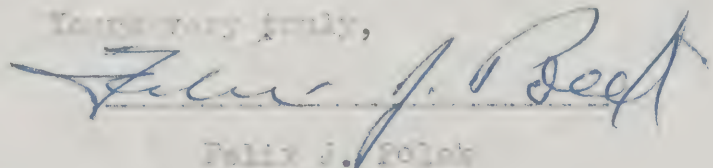
Your offer of \$ 700.00 for my 1908-S. Half Eagle is quite out of line. I do remember one incident that had occurred last year when a dealer on the West Coast had advertised a 1908-S. Half Eagle for which he had quoted it at an asking price of \$ 325.00 and which was advertised in the Scrapbook as a GEM specimen.

When I rushed my letter out to the dealer by air-mail requesting to let me have it and which he did and he told me that he had a long distance call from you requesting for it also, but he told me in his letter that he told you over the phone that the 1908-S. Half Eagle that you called about was promised to a client and it happened that I were that client at that time.

So in thinking it over that you were willing to acquire it at that time at an asking price of \$ 325.00 and here you are offering me exactly \$ 700.00 for the same specimen.

I have two such specimens and both are UNC although I do not see anything GEMMY about the specimen I had acquired as explained above and in view of what they really worth, I would let both specimens go to you at an allowance of \$ 375.00 per coin towards my purchase of your CH102 AU 1879-O. Double Eagle and the balance I would select some of the gold coins to bring the total of your asking price for your 1879-O. Double Eagle. I figure that \$ 1050.00 would be more reasonable as to the price of the 1879-O. Double Eagle. As far as \$ 3.00 gold pieces are concerned, I only have the one I had recently acquired from you. I would rather have right now your 1879-O. Double Eagle and after that we could settle with a deal for your BU 1891-CC Double Eagle or perhaps for that BU 1871-CC. Double Eagle if you acquire same. If you want to see my 1908-S. Half Eagles, well let me know.

Yours very truly,



Felix J. Polak

F. O. Box 148

Brooklyn, Penna.

Dec. 14th, 1960.

Mr. Stan Kesselman  
15 West 61st Street.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Stan Kesselman :

I had almost made up my mind not to bother sending you any more gold coins as a business proposition, because you had made a fool of me for the third time. You know how well how badly I needed that 1871-0. Double Eagle especially whenever one and finally your way is in AU condition and during the past three years you had been offering specimens in EP condition and finally when you showed me with a very desirable specimen you cannot wait long enough to give me the chance of selecting coins for shipment to you. Now is it that you have been holding on to this 1891-CC. Double Eagle for nearly four months and you finally made a rush to a dealer and some away with the 1891-P. and 1879-0. Double Eagles, after knowing how much and badly I wanted the 1871-0. Double Eagle. Now you send me a letter telling me that some nice gold coins had arrived, but you know that I will not come on with any important propositions. Most of all it is you that right now had furnished me with a listing of gold coins that are available and perhaps you even might have had the 1871-CC. Double Eagle in AU condition, but you figured that better that you pass it on to someone less important than I am.

You did not even make a single comment that I made to you in regard to the 1891-3. gold coins and it was in that letter that I had made it clear to you that I am going to work with you on the AU specimen of your 1871-0. Double Eagle.

You always mention in your letter of having rare low mintage gold coins, well I am herewith enclosing a truly rare gold piece which is the 1841 Half Eagle, which is a very attractive UNC UNC gold piece and is worth far more than what the catalogs list it at \$ 200.00. I had checked in all recent very important auction sales and none were offered in UNC condition. Stack's had the Miles coin in EP state and called it very rare.

So, in order to acquire from you that truly CHOICE BU 1891-CC. Double Eagle, I am herewith enclosing three Half Eagles which I feel certain that will close the deal for it and I only have that your 1891-CC Double Eagle is as truly a CHOICE BU as you had mentioned it is to be in about all of your letters the past four months.

So, now I hope that we can really and undoubtedly work out a deal for a truly 1871-CC Double Eagle and I suppose that I am out of luck as far as your getting a truly CHOICE BU of the 1879-0. Double Eagle. I feel certain that with your getting recently some nice gold coins, you will be kind enough to list one for me.

Yours very truly,



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P. O. Box 148

Braddock, Penna.

Dec. 23rd, 1968.

Mr. Stan Kesselman  
15 West 81st Street.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Stan :

Seems like our letters had crossed one another in the mails since sending you the two gold coins to close the matter concerning that CHOICE BU specimen of the 1891-CC. Double Eagle.

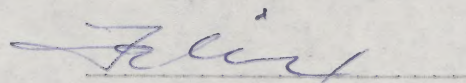
I did mention in the enclosed letter, that I will be making up the package on some gold coins, so that I may acquire from you that very beautiful and the finest known of the 1878-CC. Double Eagle that I had asked you to hold for me.

Now you have to offer me in ABOUT UNC condition the 1920-S. Double Eagle and wish to know if I would be willing to trade for it. Well I feel that to trade for such a high priced gold piece, I would rather trade for the different CARSON CITY Double Eagles that I still need and wish to acquire through you the very best in the CARSON CITY and NEW ORLEANS mints and that is why I have decided to work with you in my acquiring that very finest of your 1878-CC. Double Eagle. I am sure that you have set it aside and will HOLD same for me and as soon as I receive from you that CHOICE BU 1891-CC. Double Eagle I will be making up for you a package of gold coins to trade you for your finest available in the 1878-CC. Double Eagle. Will also let you know what I will desire in the other dates of CARSON CITY mint of Double Eagles. So, you might as well go ahead and sell that 1920-S. Double Eagle to one of your customers who has the CASH.

By the way Stan., why don't you take my 1928 2 zlotych of the Republic of Poland in PLATINUM in exchange for your GEM beauty of the 1878-CC. Double Eagle ? and that will be another Double Eagle taken off my list and you should get much more in New York for the POLISH 2 zlotych in PLATINUM and according to Mr. Hans Schulman there are supposed to be only six (6) such specimen struck.

I am offering my Canadian dealers some of my Canadian coins, with the hopes of selling them to raise CASH.

Yours very truly,



Felix J. Polek



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